

Part 2. Contest of Validity or Enforcement.

§ 52C-6-605. Notice of registration of order.

(a) When a support order or income-withholding order issued in another state or a foreign support order is registered, the registering tribunal of this State shall notify the nonregistering party. The notice must be accompanied by a copy of the registered order and the documents and relevant information accompanying the order.

(b) A notice must inform the nonregistering party:

- (1) That a registered order is enforceable as of the date of registration in the same manner as an order issued by a tribunal of this State.
- (2) That a hearing to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order must be requested within 20 days after notice, unless the registered order is under G.S. 52C-7-707;
- (3) That failure to contest the validity or enforcement of the registered order in a timely manner will result in confirmation of the order and enforcement of the order and the alleged arrearages; and
- (4) Of the amount of any alleged arrearages.

(b1) If the registering party asserts that two or more orders are in effect, a notice must also do each of the following:

- (1) Identify the two or more orders and the order alleged by the registering party to be the controlling order and the consolidated arrears, if any.
- (2) Notify the nonregistering party of the right to a determination of which is the controlling order.
- (3) State that the procedures provided in subsection (b) of this section apply to the determination of which is the controlling order.
- (4) State that failure to contest the validity or enforcement of the order alleged to be the controlling order in a timely manner may result in confirmation that the order is the controlling order.

(c) Upon registration of an income-withholding order for enforcement, the support enforcement agency or the registering tribunal shall notify the obligor's employer pursuant to the income-withholding provisions of Chapter 50 or Chapter 110 of the General Statutes, as applicable. (1995, c. 538, s. 7(c); 1997-433, s. 10.10; 1998-17, s. 1; 2015-117, s. 1.)